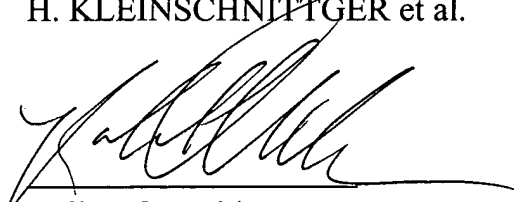


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**APPENDIX**

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4. (Amended) Method according to claim 1, [2 or 3,] characterized in that the thermal expansion coefficient in the contact surfaces (3, 4) of the base body (1, 1') and of the processing element (2, 2') is identical within  $\pm 25\%$ .

5. (Amended) Method according to claim 1, [2, 3 or 4] characterized in that the base body (1, 1') and processing element (2, 2') are joined together at their contact surfaces (3, 4) by adhesive forces.

8. (Amended) Method according to [one of the preceding claims] claim 1, characterized in that the base body (1, 1') and the corresponding processing element (2, 2') are joined together by several spaced mounting elements.

9. (Amended) Method according to [one of the preceding claims] claim 1, characterized in that strips (4) are produced towards the fibrous material side during manufacture of the processing element (2, 2').

11. (Amended) Method according to [one of claims 9 or 10] claim 9, characterized in that the strips (4) are provided with a projection (c) above the base of the groove, which is between 1 and 20 mm.

12. (Amended) Method according to [one of the preceding claims] claim 1, characterized in that the processing elements (2, 2') are provided with an essentially smooth surface on the faces (11).

13. (Amended) Method according to [one of claims 1 through 11] claim 1, characterized in that the processing elements (2, 2') are provided with an essentially porous surface (11) on the faces (11').

14. (Amended) Method according to [one of the preceding claims] claim 1, characterized in that at least one recess (6') is made in the base body (1'), into which an elevation (7') on the processing element (2, 2') fits when the processing element (2, 2') and base body (1') are joined.

15. (Amended) Method according to [one of the preceding claims] claim 1, characterized in that the base body (1, 1') is embodied in annular form.

16. (Amended) Method according to [one of claims 1 through 14] claim 1, characterized in that the form of the base body (1, 1') is essentially that of an annular segment.

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